

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Communal Baptisms are held every month on the first Sunday at 1:30pm and on the third Saturday at 11:00am (with some exceptions). Register a month or two in advance for the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturday 1:00pm-2:00pm
Other times by pre-arranged appt. with a priest. Communal Penance celebrations (with individual confessions) are celebrated in Advent and Lent and will be announced.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Those who wish to enter the Catholic faith and Catholics who wish to complete the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation are most welcome to begin the journey at any time. Call the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners regularly practicing the Faith at our Parish are welcomed to contact the Rectory one year in advance of a proposed wedding date. Specific dates are only discussed after meeting with a Priest. Couples must attend a pre-Cana program and provide required Sacramental and other documentation.

VOCATIONS

Is God calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Speak to one of our priests or call the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at 973.313.6190, Newarkpriest.com

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the *Anointing of the Sick* will be administered at anytime in an emergency and also at parish celebrations during the year. Consult the bulletin for dates. *Communion* is brought to the sick, the elderly and the homebound by priests of the parish and by Eucharistic ministers. The priests also visit the local hospital regularly. If you or a family member is hospitalized, please contact the Rectory to make arrangements.



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Our Mission

We the people of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish believe in Jesus Christ and embrace his teachings. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we accept His call to be the Light of the World through Word, Worship, Community Building and Service to all.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am,
12:30pm, 3:00pm (Spanish) and 6:30pm

WEEKDAYS

6:30am, 8:30am and 12:00 noon

Saturdays: 8:30am

HOLY DAYS

Eve: 7:30pm (anticipated)

6:30am, 8:30am, and 12:00 noon

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ July 26, 2026

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Dear Friends,

Yes, I'm still here. I know you don't see my name on the Mass schedule as much as in the past. That's because I have been helping Fr. Frank out at St. Gabe's, since that's what I expected to be doing before circumstances led me to stay here a little longer. When all of us are around (3 plus 1) I'm not needed that much but when someone is on vacation, I'll be somewhat back to normal on the schedule. A parishioner commented to me the other day that I'm the only person who "retired up" to a second job. As the old saying goes, "Make plans, and see God laugh." I have been living here and commuting up to St. Gabe's. Beginning August 3, I will be living at St. Gabe's and commuting here.

I want to thank the 510 households who have supported the Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese. Although that's still down from the 542 who contributed last year, the total amount of the pledges is more than last year. If anyone pledges because of the late invitation to do so in memory/honor of me, I am especially grateful and say thank you. I am especially grateful because it will help the parish tremendously when the rebate checks are sent next February. You know my heart will always belong to Mount Carmel and this will always be my home.

I have started on the acknowledgements for the many gifts you were so generous in giving to me on my "retirement." But please be patient with me. Almost all came with a message and I want to personally send a message back. And that may take some time. Know you are always in my prayers.

Grace and Peace,
Fr. Ron

STEWARDSHIP

"All things work for the good of those who love God." Paul's words in today's 2nd Reading challenge us to trust God in all the circumstances of our life. Girded by this trust, we can expend our **Time, Talent and Treasure** in building the Kingdom. Without this trust, we are tempted to use our time, talent and treasure for our own advancement and purpose. Where do you fit in this picture, trusting in the Lord (and building His kingdom) or trusting only in yourself (and building your own)?

The parish Stewardship of Treasure last week was \$11,577. God bless your generosity in supporting the work of the Gospel. Using electronic giving, **WeShare/Venmo**, helps the parish continue that work. And there are no disruptions "in production" that interfere with that. Maybe now is the time to consider the switch. Thank you.



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THIS COMING SATURDAY
AUG 1ST—9AM-12NN

YOUTH MINISTRY MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE
DRIVE THRU—SCHOOL BUILDING DRIVEWAY

DID YOUR HOME GARDEN OVER PRODUCE?

If you have an excess from your home garden, please consider dropping it off at the monthly food drive. We will deliver it to Ridgecrest that day with our regular items. See below.

THE FOLLOW LIST OF NEEDED ITEMS IS UPDATED!

PLEASE NO EXPIRED ITEMS. NONE OF THE AGENCIES
ARE PERMITTED TO GIVE OUT EXPIRED FOOD.

FR. ENGLISH: Anything high in protein!! Black Beans, Chick Peas, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Nuts, Canned Meats (Chicken, Tuna, Spam, Ham), Peanut Butter, Jelly, Tuna, Oatmeal, Cereal, Granola Bars, Pop Tarts, Complete Pancake Mix, Syrup, Juice (Apple, Tomato, V8), Jiffy or Similar Muffin Mix, Coffee, Tea, Ritz/Saltine Crackers, Raisins, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Shelf Stable Milk, Oatmeal Packets, Hamburger Helper, Canned Veggies, Jiffy (or any) Muffin Mix, Lemonade/Ice Tea Mix, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo, Bar Bath Soap, Tissues, Laundry Detergent, Bottled Water

SOCIAL SERVICES: Cereal, Oatmeal Packets, Pasta/Pasta Sauce, Canned Pasta Snacks for Kids (individual servings are best), Peanut Butter & Jelly; 100% Fruit Juice; Hearty Canned Soups; Black Beans, Chick Peas, Canned Veggies, Rice; Hot Chocolate Mix; Canned Tuna/Chicken/Ham; Shelf Stable Milk, Laundry Detergent; Cleaning Products, Personal Toiletries

RIDGECREST

Small sizes preferred as most residents live alone.

Depend Brand Adult Briefs for Women any size; Paper Towels; Toilet Paper; Toilet Bowl Cleaner, Shelf Stable Milk, Olive Oil, Tissues, Mayonnaise, Low/No Sugar Oatmeal Packets, Cheerios (yellow box), Rice Krispies, Raisin Bran, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Chick Peas, Black Beans, Bottled Water (gallon), Canned Chicken, Canned Tuna, Green Tea Bags, Instant Coffee (regular/decaf), Rice.

FRESH PRODUCE: Apples, Oranges, Clementines, Cucumbers, Potatoes, Pears, Eggplant, Sweet Potatoes, Peppers (all colors & varieties) Cherry Tomatoes, Zucchini, Cantaloupe, Brussels Sprouts, Honeydew, Blueberries, Strawberries, Bananas, Grapefruit, Plums, Asparagus, Radishes, Cauliflower.

HEALING MEALS

Green Peppers, Carrots, Celery, Onions, Barilla Lasagna Noodles (no oven ready), Canned Chick Peas, Olive Oil, Canned Crushed Tomatoes, Ground Ginger, Kosher Salt, Lentils (dried/bagged), Organic Vegetable Broth, Flax Seed, Bottled Lime Juice, Minced Garlic (jars), Marinara Sauce, Dark Brown Sugar.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED AT 10AM & 12NN

Contact Glen McCall, gmcalls@olmcrdridgeood.com

CLASSROOM MENTORS/FACILITATORS

Needed for our Junior High Faith Formation Program

Thank you to those high school students
who have already contacted us!!

**We still need a few enthusiastic and responsible
high school volunteers to serve as
classroom mentors and facilitators for our
7th Grade Wednesday class—3:45PM-5:00PM.**

Volunteers will support the faith journey of middle school students by assisting in (8) classroom sessions (September-May) through facilitating activities, leading small group discussions, and fostering a welcoming, faith-filled environment. *This is a wonderful opportunity to earn service hours while growing in your own faith.*

Facilitators will:

- Guide discussions and foster community
- Encourage others on their faith journey
- Receive training and support from our Faith Formation team
- No teaching experience required—just a love for Christ and a willingness to serve.

Scan this QR Code to get started!

Questions? Contact Nick Fallivene
nfallivene@olmcrdridgeood.com
201.444.9302, x302



A NOTICE FROM THE OFFERTORY ENVELOPE COMPANY

There was a production delay for the July offertory envelopes. We will **reset our schedule by skipping July envelopes** and resume regular mailings with your August envelope packets.

We would ask that parishioners use any envelope during the month of July, writing the appropriate date and envelope number on the envelope when making their offertory gift.

Now might be the time...

With the above mentioned production issues and summer travel schedules, now might be the time to switch to online support for the parish. Follow the **WeShare** link on the homepage of our website.

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAM
2026-2027
REGISTER NOW**



Any rising 9th grade student who has not yet registered for the 2026-2027 Confirmation program should contact the Youth Ministry Office now.

Additionally, if you are a student in the class of 2027, 2028, 2029, or 2030 and you are missing any Sacraments of Initiation; i.e., Baptism, First Eucharist or Confirmation, you may contact the Youth Office now.

Director of Youth Ministry—Glen McCall
gmccall@ridgewood.com, 201.444.9302



Religious Education
Grades 1-6

We recently held a gathering for parents of children/young adults with special needs. This gathering began with prayer followed by social time. Any parent of a special needs child/young adult is welcome to contact us to be included in our next gathering. If you know of a parent who has a child/young adult with special needs, please feel free to invite them to contact us as well.

Cathy Hunt, chunt@olmcridgewood.com
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SACRAMENT CATCH UP!

Do you have a child in grades 1-6 that has not received the sacrament of Baptism or First Communion (grades 3-6)? Contact our Religious Education Office. We would be happy to help you get started.

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TEENS REPRESENT OLMC AT FAITH & AI INITIATIVE

Last week, three high school teens from our parish were asked to be part of a dialogue being conducted by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry as part of its nationwide "Faith and AI Initiative." The Archdiocese of Newark was asked to participate in this study being funded by the Lilly Endowment Fund along with several other diocese around the country. Results will then be compiled. The dialogue was facilitated by Auxiliary Bishops Bismarck Chau and Elias Lorenzo, who were impressed by the feedback from the participants.

Pictured L-R: Elijah Kim, Bishop Pedro Bismarck Chau, Peter Abrams, Bishop Elias Lorenzo, Santiago Sotomayor

**ATTENTION
RIDGEWOOD SENIORS!**

Parking permits for Ridgewood residents age 65+ are now available at the reception desk at Village Hall!

The annual permit allows eligible residents to park in the Central Business District (CBD)* for a flat fee of \$75 a year. A prorated permit for the remainder of 2026 is available for \$37.50.

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Everyone is invited to come to the PEA chapel at any time to give praise and thanks to God and to pray for our loved ones and all of mankind. The chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, even overnight. Better yet, sign up for a weekly Holy Hour that is good for you. Help keep the door open to anyone seeking God—to anyone seeking peace.

Our goal at PEA is to have 2 Scheduled Adorers every hour and to have an Hour Coordinator for each hour of the day. Many hands make light work. Give your time, talent, and treasure in building up the kingdom of God and it will come back to you a million fold. God cannot be outdone in generosity. **Contact Cynthia Torres, 551.574.1063, cynthiabtorres@yahoo.com.**

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5:30PM—7:00PM (Light Supper 5:30PM-6:00PM)

Topic: Finding a Way In
Making Everyday Activities Easier & More Meaningful

- How familiar routines, interests, and roles can open the door to meaningful moments and do more than simply fill time
- Why the way an activity is offered can matter as much as the activity itself
- how simple changes can make it easier for someone to begin, participate, and experience success
- *And so much more*

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Anthony Bollhofer, Aedan Cannon, Nick Haddad,
Durkin McCarthy, John Morano, James Nardelli,
Michael Ortolani, Robert Smith, Thomas Tesoriero

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun. July 26	4:00PM Spanish Apostolate (PCA)
Tues. July 28	8:00PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Wed. July 29	7:30PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Thurs. July 30	7:30PM Knights of Columbus Social (Hall)
Sat. Aug. 1	9:00AM Men's Basketball (MR)
	9:00AM Youth Ministry Food Drive (Driveway)
	6:30PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)

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Parishioners may call the Rectory with the name of a family member who is sick to have them included in our prayers.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, July 27

- + 6:30AM **Claire Mooney**
req Lorraine & Jim Reynolds
- + 8:30AM **Jack Dunworth**
req His Family
- +12:00NN **Eileen Moritz**
req The Fortunato Family

Tuesday, July 28

- + 6:30AM **Maria Cristina Roxas**
req Melanie Evers
- + 8:30AM **Kimberly Ann Castelli**
req The Mastromarino Family
- +12:00NN **Arlene R. Monaghan**
req Her Husband

Wednesday, July 29 *Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus*

- + 6:30AM **John Semeniak, Sr.**
req James & Caroline Chohey
- + 8:30AM **Joseph Anthony Sidote, Jr.**
req Barbara Sidote
- +12:00NN **Mary Ramge**
req Anne & George Skau

Thursday, July 30 *Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

- + 6:30AM **Sean Hare**
req His Friends
- + 8:30AM **Joseph Haskins**
req Ed & Monica McCabe
- +12:00NN **Robert V. Thomann**
req Marianne & Russ Titus

Friday, July 31 *Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest*

- + 6:30AM **Leonardo Sutora**
req Stefano & Domenica Bussanich
- + 8:30PM **Robert Thomas Terhune**
req The Schroen Family
- +12:00NN **Robert Edward Burke**
req Women's Cornerstone

Saturday, Aug. 1 *Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

- + 8:30AM **Frank DeMaria**
req The Avella Family
- + 5:30PM **Paul Frazza**
req His Family

Sunday, Aug. 2 *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- + 8:00AM **Thomas Gibson**
req Roger & Kathy Campbell
- + 9:30AM **Deceased Members of the Moore & Renaghan Families**
req Veen Moore & Family
- +11:00AM **Patricia Lewis**
req The Lewis Family
- 12:30PM **For the People of the Parish**
- 3:00PM **Special Intention of Anna & Angelica Delgado**
req The Delgado Family
- + 6:30PM **Deceased Members of the Carroll Family**
req Anne Kennedy

TODAY'S READINGS

1. 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

The beginning of Solomon's reign holds a great deal of promise. In a dream, he is invited by God to make a request. Acknowledging his royal power is a gift from God, he asks for the gift of wisdom to rule **God's** people wisely, thus displaying his understanding that kingship over Israel belongs by right to God. Because Solomon asks for this wisdom, God promises that more will be given him besides. History will prove, however, that Solomon was unworthy of all the gifts God gave him. The end result will be the ultimate division of his kingdom.

2. Romans 8:28-30

As with Solomon in the 1st reading, it is the Father who calls those who love him. They are in God's mind from all eternity and destined to be conformed to the image of the Son. Predestination here is not to be understood as a guarantee. It alludes to the call that comes from God to know and love Him, as Father, Son and Spirit. But it is a call that individuals must freely respond to, and it is the Spirit who is intimately involved with them in that response, both in faith and in action.

3. Matthew 13:44-52

Today's excerpt brings to a conclusion Matthew's lengthy rendering of the parables which comprise the 3rd of the 5 discourses. Many of the themes are highlighted in these final verses. One of the overriding themes present throughout all of the parables has been the mysterious presence and growth of the kingdom of God. In the two parables today the value of the kingdom, its worth above all else in the world, is stressed. Also reiterated in today's excerpt is the judgment—judgment will happen; it is reserved for God; what is required of believers is patience and tolerance. Concluding the entire section, Jesus asks, "have you understood?" The same is asked of you today.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. If God were to ask you the question posed to Solomon, "ask anything of Me," how would you answer?
2. What treasure do you possess that you will not part with?
3. Where do you place the Kingdom of God among the important priorities in your life?

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

(always subject to change)

Sat. 8/1	5:30PM	Fr. Felix
Sun. 8/2	8:00AM	Fr. Felix
	9:30AM	Fr. Jakov
	11:00AM	Fr. Felix
	12:30PM	Fr. Jakov
	3:00PM	Fr. Jakov
	6:30PM	Fr. Felix

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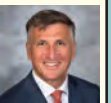
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